

PLC 76-0019

In re: Angola

December 28, 1975

To: Senators Dick Clark, Clifford P. Case, James L. Buckley, Jacob Javits
Representatives Otis G. Pike, Bella Abzug

Re: U.S. Angola Aid

Dear Honorable Congressmen and Congresswoman:

I have been out of touch recently on current events due to the termination of classes and final examinations, but I believe that the proposal submitted by Senator Dick Clark ends assistance supplied by the CIA to two anti-Communist factions in Angola -- unless Congress specifically authorizes that assistance. I believe this proposal has merit, but I hasten to add that inasmuch as we take a negative approach, i.e., NO funds for Angola, et al., without Congressional approval, a positive approach should also be considered, i.e., "X" will be done to reduce the Soviet Union's expansionism. I assume, of course, that Congress is of the following opinion:

1. The Russians intend to Communize the world.
2. The Russians aim to communize requires the suppression of individual rights.
3. The Russians aim to communize also requires coercion since the economic policy is based primarily on the myth of equal distribution of wealth and services.

It appears that our dilemma with regard to Russian expansionism is as follows: while we desire universal freedom and idealistically respect the rights of individual nation-states to freely choose their forms of government (and it is hoped a government of the people, by the people, and for the people), we invariably become involved with secondary governments which impose and insist upon these nations a Communistic form of government. I sincerely believe that the U.S. policy of intervention has resulted only when these secondary governments, i.e., Russian, have refused to recognize each state's right to a free choice of government, and, instead, exploited various groups for the express purpose of Russian expansionism. I believe it is at this point that the United States has intervened; I also believe that it is at this point when we draw the thin line -- the one which determines when and if we should prevent expansionism. If expansionism is not checked, then that part of the world is "communized", and we are left with "X" -- "What" is to be done about Russian expansionism?

I can offer only microscopic suggestions for a positive approach to reduce Russian expansionism. (1) Insist on strict compliance with the treaty executed at Helsinki which (I believe) guarantees minimal individual rights, e.g., right to travel; (2) Mobilize support among free nations to encourage individual rights

in nations which presently suppress same; such mobilization can be conducted in world organizations; (3) Assist countries in need -- with no "strings" attached, e.g., Portugal, until they are able to decide freely their form of government; if suppression of individual rights becomes a policy of that government, U.S. policy should be to remove all aid, since the myth of equal distribution of wealth and services should suffice for that government; (4) require that any and all economic dealings of U.S. with Russians be extremely costly in order to prevent resale of goods and services to countries and promotion of Communism; (5) prepare for World War III to preserve individual rights and liberties; (6) cease all communication and trade with extreme violators of democratic rights; and, finally, (7) eliminate corruption within the United States and set a world example of human liberties which can prevail in a Democratic form of government.

Needless to say, I wish that all iron walls, and curtains, literally and figuratively, be removed, and it is in the best interests of all people, free and those we hope to free, that such removal be active, and only as a last resort, violent.

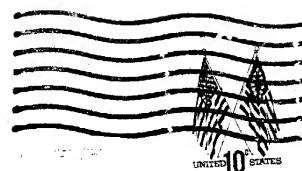
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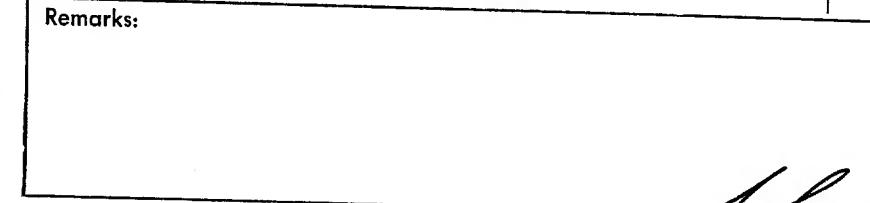
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